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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re PATENT APPLICATION of SMITH *et al.*

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For: MELT-PROCESSIBLE POLY(TETRAFLUOROETHYLENE)

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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Hon. Commissioner of Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In addition to co-pending parent applications 09/369,319 and 09/505,279, the Examiner's attention is directed to the application listed below. Because the below-listed application is a divisional application of parent application 09/369,319, it is believed that a copy of the application need not be submitted. If the Examiner disagrees, please advise and Applicants will submit such a copy.

Examiner's Initials	Inventors	Application No.	Filing Date
	SMITH et al.	10/059,132	Jan. 31, 2002

PLEASE DO NOT PRINT the above information on the patent which results from the subject application.

Consideration of the listed application is earnestly solicited since unpublished patent applications are contemplated as IDS material; see the exception in Rule 98(a)(2)(ii) and note the penultimate sentence of MPEP 609.

Further, in keeping with MPEP 609, Subsec. C(2), 2nd para., line 10 to end of the paragraph (especially note lines 18-25) **PLEASE RETURN A COPY OF THIS LETTER** with the

Examiner's initials adjacent each above listing so that applicants will know that each listed application has been considered as required by PTO policy.

Secondly, please consider each document listed on the attached Form PTO-1449 and return a copy of that Form with the Examiner's initials adjacent each citation. Copies of the documents listed on pages 7-8 of the Form PTO-1449 are enclosed. Copies of the documents listed on pages 1-6 of the Form PTO-1449 are not enclosed as they were already of record in parent applications 09/369,319 and 09/505,279 at the time of filing the present application.

This IDS is intended to be in full compliance with the rules, but should the Examiner find any part of its required content to have been omitted, prompt notice to that effect is earnestly solicited, along with additional time under Rule 97(f), to enable Applicant to comply fully.

Respectfully submitted,
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